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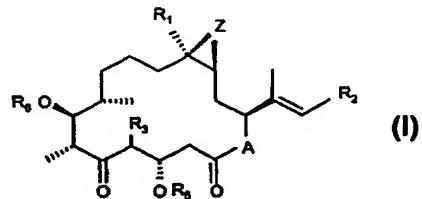
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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to C4-demethyl-epothilones or C4-bisnor-epothilones of Formula (I), their pharmaceutical use, pharmaceutical composition containing the same and methods for their preparation.

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C4-demethyl-epothilone derivatives, their preparation and intermediates (III and IV) specific for the preparation of C4-demethyl-epothilone derivatives

2. claim: 14

Preparation of intermediate of formula II

3. claims: 15,16

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